II.   AMENDMENTS TO THE CLAIMS

1. (Currently Amended)   A multiple platform architecture data reporting system for managing attribute data in a document ~~processing~~reproduction apparatus, the system, ~~embodied on a non-transitory computer readable medium in the document processing apparatus,~~ comprising:

~~a system manager stored on said non-transitory computer readable medium of said data processing apparatus; and~~

at least one hardware platform controller ~~stored on said non-transitory computer readable medium of said data processing apparatus, said controller coupled to the system manager, the system manager configured to:~~ configured to store copyright attributes of software stored on the at least one hardware platform controller;

a system controller connected to a memory and configured to poll the at least one platform controller for the software copyright attributes, to collect the software copyright attributes from the at least one platform controller in the memory, and to merge the software copyright attributes reported by each platform controller into a compilation of software copyright attributes of all of the platform controllers; and

~~collect attribute data including copyright data pertaining to software from each platform controller;~~

~~recognize the copyright data in the attribute data ; and~~

~~process in a processor the copyright data into a list of copyright data for the system;~~ and

a user interface connected to the system manager for displaying the ~~collected attribute data in the list~~ compilation of software copyright attributes of all of the platform controllers to a user.

2. (Cancelled)

3. (Currently Amended)   A method for managing attribute data in a document ~~processing~~reproduction apparatus, the method comprising :

using one or more platform controllers of the document reproduction apparatus for storing copyright attributes of software stored on each platform controller;

using a system controller in the document ~~processing~~ reproduction apparatus ~~polling at least two~~to poll the one or more platform controllers for the ~~in the document processing apparatus for attribute data~~ software copyright attributes;

using the system ~~manager~~controller ~~collecting~~ to collect the ~~attribute data~~ software copyright attributes from the ~~at least two~~ each of the platform controllers in response to the polling, and to merge the software copyright attributes reported by each platform controller into a compilation of software copyright attributes for all of the platform controllers; and

~~displaying the collected attribute data on a user~~ using a display of the document processing apparatus to display the compilation of software copyright attributes~~for managing attribute data in the document processing apparatus~~.

4. (Currently Amended)   The method ~~as in~~of claim 3 wherein ~~the polling at least two~~using the system controller to poll the one or more platform controllers for ~~attribute data~~the software copyright attributes further comprises automatically polling the ~~at least two~~ one or more platform controllers ~~during~~ at power on of ~~at least one of the at least two~~ the one or more platform controllers.

5. (Currently Amended)   The method ~~as in~~of claim 3 wherein ~~the polling at least two platforms for attribute data~~using the system controller to poll the one or more platform controllers for the software copyright attributes further comprises polling at least one of the at least two platform controllers when polling is initiated by a user request.

6. (Cancelled)

7. (Currently Amended)   The method ~~as in~~of claim 3 wherein ~~the collecting the attribute data from the at least two platforms~~using the system controller to collect the software copyright attributes from each of the platform controllers in response to the polling further comprises collecting ~~the~~ license information from ~~the at least two~~each of the platform controllers.

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8. (Currently Amended)   The method ~~as   in~~of claim 3 wherein the document ~~processing~~reproduction apparatus is a copier, a fax machine, a computer printer, a scanner or a multifunction device.

9. (Currently Amended)   The method ~~as in~~of claim 3 wherein ~~the displaying the collected attribute data on a user display~~ using the display of the document processing apparatus to display the compilation of software copyright attributes further comprises automatically displaying the ~~attribute data collected from the at least two platform controllers~~ compilation of software copyright attributes.

10. (Currently Amended)   The method ~~as in~~of claim 3 wherein the displaying the collected attribute data on a user display using a display of the document processing apparatus to display the compilation of software copyright attributes further comprises manually displaying the ~~attribute data collected from the at least two platform controllers~~ compilation of software copyright attributes.

11. (Cancelled)

12. (Currently Amended)   A software copyright information managing system embodied on a non-transitory computer readable medium for managing software copyright ~~data~~attributes in a document ~~processing~~reproduction apparatus, the system comprising:

~~a system controller stored on said non-transitory computer readable medium of said data processing apparatus;~~

at least one platform controller stored on said non-transitory computer readable medium ~~of said data processing apparatus, said controller coupled to the system controller, the system controller being configured to collect the software copyright data stored on each platform controller~~ and configured to store copyright attributes of software stored on the at least one platform controller;

a system controller stored on said non-transitory computer readable medium and configured to poll the at least one platform controller for the software copyright attributes, to collect the software copyright attributes from the at least one platform controller, and to merge the software copyright attributes reported by each platform controller into a compilation of software copyright attributes of all of the platform controllers; and

a user interface connected to the system controller for displaying the software copyright ~~data from the memory to a user~~ attributes of all of the platform controllers.

13. (Currently Amended)   The software copyright information managing system ~~as in~~of claim 12 wherein the system controller ~~for collecting the software copyright data from multiple platforms~~ further comprises a memory for storing the collected software copyright ~~data collected by the system controller~~ attributes.

14. (Currently Amended)   The software copyright information managing system ~~as in~~of claim 13 wherein the document ~~processing~~reproduction apparatus is a copier, a fax machine, a computer printer, a scanner or a multifunction device.

15. (Currently Amended)   The ~~multiple platform architecture data reporting~~ system ~~as in~~of Claim 1 wherein the system ~~manager~~controller collects ~~attribute data from platform controller during~~ the software copyright attributes at power on of ~~the~~ at least one ~~of the at least two~~ platform ~~controllers~~controller.

16. (Cancelled)

17. (Currently Amended)   The system of claim 1 wherein the ~~list is~~compilation of software copyright attributes of all the platform controllers comprises a list of copyright years for ~~the system in its entirety~~software stored on all the platform controllers.

18. (Currently Amended)   The system of claim 1 wherein the ~~attribute data comprises~~software copyright attributes comprise copyright and license data ~~related to software~~.

19. (Cancelled)

20. (Currently Amended)   The system of claim 1 wherein the document ~~processing~~reproduction apparatus is a copier, a fax machine, a computer printer, a scanner or a multifunction device.

21. (Cancelled)

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